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TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA
INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BOLEN

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SUBJECT: FOURTH MEETING OF ECA CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS,
KINSHASA

REF: A - KINSHASA 1394, B - ADDIS ABABA 957

1. WE APPRECIATE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS IN REF A BUT, AFTER CONSULTING WITH PARTICIPANTS IN PREVIOUS ECA PLENARIES, WE HAVE ARRIVED AT THE CONCLUSION THAT IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR A U.S. REP WITH OBSERVER STATUS ONLY TO HOST A LARGE RECEPTION IN POSSIBLE COMPETITION WITH AFRICAN MINISTERS, THE ECA SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE HOST COUNTRY, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE SHORT LENGTH OF CONFERENCE.

2. ADDIS ABABA HAS SUGGESTED IN REF B THAT I HOST A SMALL INFORMAL LUNCH FOR ECA SECRETARY GENERAL ADEDEJI AND
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CERTAIN OF HIS DIVISION CHIEFS FOR AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON US-ECA RELATIONS. I AGREE THAT THIS WOULD BE THE MOST PRODUCTIVE AS WELL AS APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATIONAL ACTIVITY. THE GUEST LIST MIGHT INCLUDE IN ADDITION UN UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL VAN LAETHEM, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM HOST GOVERNMENT, THE EMBASSY OFFICERS YOU WISH AND MY DELEGATION. THE LUNCH ENVISAGED FOR UP TO 20 PERSONS COULD BE

VERY INFORMAL AND COULD BE SERVED BUFFET STYLE. WOULD

SUCH A LUNCHEON BE FEASIBLE FOR YOU IN VIEW OF REPRESENTA-
TION FUNDS AVAILABLE AND SPACE LIMITATIONS OF RESIDENCE?

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